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Upper Moreland High School

Algebra I Course Information Sheet

2014-2015 School Year

*Grading Policy:* Per quarter, grades will be calculated on the following **weighted** percentages:

**Tests/quizzes -- 85%**

**TAPS (Team Approach to Problem Solving) -- 5%**

**Classwork/Homework -- 10%**

Individual tests are announced (quizzes can be announced or unannounced).

TAPS are team assessments given after each chapter.

Classwork includes homework quizzes, participation quizzes, and in-class group assignments.

Re-assessment policy:

Students have the opportunity to re-test chapter tests; students must come after school for extra help and complete review problems to be eligible.

Time frame for re-test is 10 school days from date the test is returned. (Includes after school extra help and re-take day).

The re-test will be the recorded grade.

The Math department will revisit and perhaps revise this practice after the first marking period.

To determine a final course grade, all quarter grades (20%) are averaged with the midterm (10%) and final (10%). Individual extra credit will not be considered.

*Homework Policy:* Homework is a method of reinforcement and will be assigned daily. It serves as a reinforcement of skills; therefore, it will be checked EVERY DAY. Students MUST make-up homework assignments when they are absent or forget to do their homework the night before.

**NOTE**: If you leave out any problems or don’t show work, then this is considered incomplete. Homework is done in the notebook unless otherwise stated.

*Absence Policy:* If a student is absent, then he or she has the responsibility to make up missed work. Students have the number of days they were absent to make-up the homework. Students are responsible for showing the teacher your completed work.

*Necessary Materials:*

**TI-84 Plus** graphing calculator (required) with four spare AAA batteries. **\*You can borrow one from the school by filling out a calculator lending form. They are first come first serve.**

Graph Paper Notebook

Folder

Sharpened pencils and erasers

Ruler

Colored pencils

Each page of the graph paper notebook should include the date, classwork, and homework (with the appropriate work and corrected answers).

*Class Rules:*

1) Lateness will not be tolerated. If a student is late for class, he/she must have a late pass

signed by a teacher.

2) Students should work from bell to bell, following group protocol.

3) Follow directions the first time. If you need clarification, just ask!

4) Respect classroom environment and all school and classroom rules.

5) Students should not abuse their bathroom privileges.

6) Remember to ask for permission for just about everything.

7) Cell phones should not be used during class time.

Cheating:

All students are expected to do their own work. Cheating is a serious offense, it will result in a zero and a disciplinary referral.

Cell phones are strictly prohibited during tests and quizzes. If the cell phone is out, visible,

or touched/looked the student will automatically receive a zero . . . no exceptions.

*Other information:* Additional help is available with the teacher or the National Honor Society Tutors; please make arrangements with the teacher.

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